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'CAT BURGLAR'

35 Homes Robbed in Theft Spree

TORRANCE — Police have stepped up their search for a marauding "cat burglar," believed responsible for 35 thefts totalling more than \$1500.

Det. Lt. Don Hamilton said the burglar has hit an estimated 20 homes in North Torrance and approximately 15 in the Riviera section. All thefts have occurred while the occupants slept, Hamilton said.

The occupants have awakened and chased the burglar on at least two occasions, Hamilton said, but both attempts at apprehension were unsuccessful.

According to his victims, the suspect enters homes through unlocked doors and loots undisturbed.

"He's even walked into the bedrooms where a man and wife were sleeping," said Hamilton.

Police patrols have been increased in the areas, according to Hamilton, but there thus far has been no clue to the suspect's pattern of operation.

Residents have been asked to lock doors and windows where access would be easy. A light may be left on to discourage burglary, according to police.



JACK GHORMLEY, since 1959 civil engineering associate in Torrance city engineer's office, has been named city engineer of Gardena at annual salary of \$12,500. He takes job Dec. 1.

NEWS BRIEFS

Post Office Hinted . . .

HARBOR CITY — Approximately \$230,000 will be in the federal government's 1964 budget for construction of a post office building here, officials have predicted.

Prospectus for the projected new facility was sent last week to the Budget Bureau, it is expected to win final approval. Postal services for the area now are provided at a leased building on Pacific Coast Highway.

New Radar Car . . .

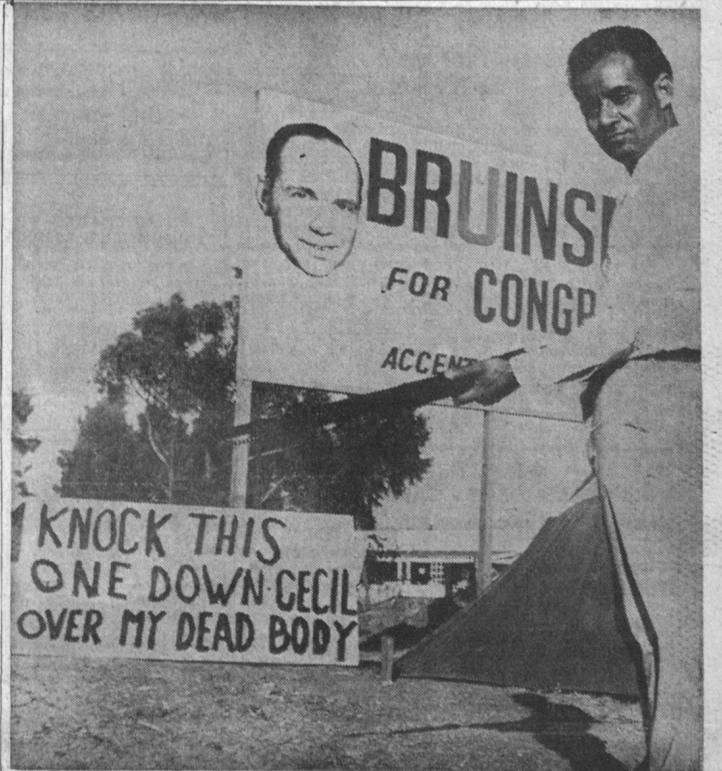
TORRANCE — A new police radar unit has gone into operation, replacing the 1958 Chevrolet used since outset of the radar enforcement program in 1958. The new vehicle, according to Lt. Don Nash of the department's traffic detail, is a 1961 white Dodge with 8-inch lettering, "Radar," on both sides.

Ballot Recommendations

STATE		COUNTY	
GOVERNOR Vote for One		ASSESSOR Vote for One	
EDMUND G. (PAT) BROWN, Democrat Governor of California	<input type="checkbox"/>	JOHN S. GIBSON JR. Councilman, City of Los Angeles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ROBERT L. WYCKOFF, Prohibition Attorney, Medical Doctor	<input type="checkbox"/>	PHILIP E. WATSON Tax Economist	<input type="checkbox"/>
RICHARD M. NIXON, Republican Attorney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	STATE LEGISLATURE	
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR Vote for One		STATE SENATOR	
GLENN M. ANDERSON, Democrat Lieut.-Gov., State of California	<input type="checkbox"/>	Thirty-eighth District Vote for One	
GEO. M. CHRISTOPHER, Republican Mayor of San Francisco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PATRICK D. MCGEE, Republican Attorney at Law	<input type="checkbox"/>
SECRETARY OF STATE Vote for One		THOMAS M. REES, Democrat Member of California Legislature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FRANK M. JORDAN, Republican Secretary of State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY	
DON ROSE, Democrat Governmental Administrator	<input type="checkbox"/>	Forty-sixth District Vote for One	
CONTROLLER Vote for One		CHARLES E. CHAPEL, Republican Member of California Legislature	<input type="checkbox"/>
ALAN CRANSTON, Democrat State Controller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	JEFF HARE, Democrat Teacher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FRANK G. STEVENS, Prohibition Minister	<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY	
BRUCE V. REAGAN, Republican Member, State Legislature	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sixty-seventh District Vote for One	
TREASURER Vote for One		CLAYTON A. DILLS, Democrat Member of California Legislature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BERT A. BETTS, Democrat Treasurer, State of California	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ALFRED H. THORSEN, Republican Auto Parts Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>
LESLIE E. (LES) RICE, Republican Public Accountant	<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY	
JOHN A. BUSTERUD, Republican Member of California Legislature	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sixty-eighth District Vote for One	
ATTORNEY GENERAL Vote for One		VINCENT THOMAS, Democrat Member of California Legislature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
STANLEY MOSK, Democrat Attorney General of California	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RAY LINQUIST, Prohibition Member County Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>
TOM COAKLEY, Republican Superior Court Judge	<input type="checkbox"/>	RICHARD M. WONDER, Republican Attorney at Law	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCHCOL		CONGRESSIONAL	
SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION Vote for One		UNITED STATES SENATOR Vote for One	
RALPH RICHARDSON Pres., L. A. City Board of Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	THOMAS H. KUCHEL, Republican United States Senator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MAX RAFFERTY District Supt. of Schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	RICHARD RICHARDS, Democrat California State Senator	<input type="checkbox"/>
		REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	
		Twenty-eighth District Vote for One	
		ALPHONZO BELL, Republican United States Congressman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		ROBERT J. FELIXSON, Democrat Attorney	<input type="checkbox"/>
		REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	
		Seventeenth District Vote for One	
		CECIL KING, Democrat United States Congressman	<input type="checkbox"/>
		TED BRUINSMA, Republican Small Businessman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

'Good Neighbor Breakfast' Gets Secrecy Veil

(Photo on Page A-6) TORRANCE — Last-minute preparations for the YMCA's 15th annual Good Neighbor Breakfast got under way this week, with an increasing veil of secrecy being thrown around the event. The breakfast will be held at the YMCA, 2080 Washington Ave., for breakfast and the awards ceremony. National Guardsmen will set up a mobile kitchen for the annual charity, proceeds from which are used to extend youth projects in Torrance and Lomita.



"LOADED FOR BEAR" is this Bruinsma for Congress campaign worker, who stands guard over one signed that escaped destruction in recent vandalism spree. He is Sam Armendariz, an area resident who pitched a tent on busy Crenshaw Blvd. to keep vandals from striking again. Signs for Congressional candidate Ted Bruinsma were torn down and mutilated last week as campaign battle reached fever pitch. —PRESS Photo

ELECTION FEVER'

Last-Minute Campaigning Seen as 'V-Day' Nears

TORRANCE — A flurry of last minute campaigning brought election fever to this city today, coupled with the promise of a heavy turnout at Tuesday's polls.

Official estimates ran as high as 45,000 for local voting, with nearly 49,000 voters eligible.

Of the 49,000, the County Registrar of Voters gave this breakdown:

Democrats, 28,182; Republicans, 18,780; Prohibitionists, 10; Miscellaneous, 345;

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and Declined to State, 1398. Hottest of the races was to be between incumbent Gov. Edmund G. (Pat) Brown and ex-Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Vying with equal intensity in the race were Dr. Max Rafferty and Dr. Ralph Richardson, aspirants for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

On the local scene, eyes were on the contest between Republican Ted Bruinsma and incumbent Cecil King, Democrat, congressman in the 17th District.

Thrown in for variety are 24 ballot propositions ranging from proposed reapportionment of senatorial districts to projected adoption

of the Francis Amendment, a bill designed to combat communism.

Included elsewhere on this page are the Torrance Press ballot recommendations, decided upon after lengthy study of both candidates and issues.

The Torrance Press strongly endorses election of Ted Bruinsma in the 17th Congressional District, because of his forthright approach to an office which has declined steadily under Congressman Cecil King.

Although political views vary, the Press has tried to present a general guide for voters who still may remain undecided. But most important: no matter how you vote—vote for sure.

Clean Up First, Suggest City Beautiful Planners

By LEA HAAS TORRANCE — This city must be cleaned up before it can be "prettied-up" and November is the month to get it done.

"A Cleaner Torrance is Up to You," motto of the Torrance Beautiful Commission, is being aggressively put into action as operation "Clean-up Month" gets under way.

Citizens of Torrance will be confronted with clean up reminders, in the form of street banners, bus posters, as well as automobile bumper stickers on all city vehicles.

To further emphasize action, not words, women of the Torrance Beautiful Commission will personally walk to every business establishment in Torrance and enlist support. A poster will be put on display with each visit.

The "Walkathon" will take place between Nov. 5 and 9. Those participating are Mmes. Roy Apsey, chairman; V. E. Benstead, Flavio Bisignano, Donald W. Walker, Albert Wolinsky and Frank Sciarrotta.

Home owners are urged to shoulder their own re-

sponsibility and clean up residential areas according to commission members. Vacant lots, gutters, as well as the yards of private homes, are the responsibility of each citizen, the commission stresses.

To bring this campaign into each home, the commission urges youth and civic groups in Torrance to attend twice monthly meetings and present any projects or ideas.

Commission members meet the first and third Thursdays of the month in Council Chamber, 7:30 p.m.

November . . . City Beautiful Month